

Claims

1. A headset or headset assembly comprising:
first input means for electrically coupling the headset to receive audio signals from a first source; and
second input means for electrically coupling the headset to receive audio signals from a second source, distinct from the first source.
2. The headset of claim 1, wherein the first source is a two-way radio, and the second source is an entertainment device or a mobile telephone.
3. The headset of claim 1, further comprising:
a boom microphone coupled to a preamplifier; and
means for powering the preamplifier via the first or the second source.
4. A headset comprising:
means for receiving first and second electrical signals from respective first and second audio sources; and
means for changing relative amplitude of the received first and second electrical signals.
5. The headset of claim 4, wherein the first source is a two-way radio, and the second source is a personal listening device or a mobile telephone.
6. The headset of claim 4, further comprising:
a boom microphone coupled to a preamplifier; and
means for powering the preamplifier via the first or the second source.
7. A headset comprising:
first input jack for electrically coupling the headset to receive audio signals from a first source;

second input jack for electrically coupling the headset to receive audio signals from a second source, distinct from the first source;
a microphone preamplifier;
a battery terminal;
a circuit for coupling the microphone preamplifier to the battery terminal in response to electrical connection of the second input jack to the second source.

8. The headset of claim 7, further comprising means for changing relative amplitude of the received first and second electrical signals.
9. The headset of claim 7, wherein the first source is a two-way radio, and the second source is an entertainment device or a mobile telephone.
10. A method of operating a headset, the method comprising:
receiving first and second audio signals from respective first and second independent audio sources; and
attenuating the first audio signal in response to comparing the second audio signal to a reference signal..
11. The method of claim 10, further comprising mixing the attenuated first audio signal and the second audio signal to provide a mixed audio signal; and acoustically transducing the mixed audio signal.
12. The method of claim 10, wherein the headset includes a battery terminal and a microphone preamplifier, and the method further comprises:
detecting connection the first audio source to the headset; and
in response to detecting connection of the first audio source, coupling the battery terminal to the microphone preamplifier.